in 2007-08 comprised of Engineering Goods (20.7%), Petroleum Products (17.4%), Chemicals and Related Products (13.7%), Gems and Jewellery (12.1%), Textiles (11.3%) Agriculture and Allied Products (8.3%), Ores and Minerals (5.6%), Leather and Manufactures (2.2%), Electronic Goods (2.2%), Cotton Raw including Waste (1.4%), Marine Products (1.1) etc. A total of 96 commodities have been added to the export basket during the last five years.

(b) Initiatives for diversifying exports are taken in accordance with the provisions under the Foreign Trade Policy (2004-09) and its Annual Supplements. These include the implementation of the Focus Product Scheme, Focus Market Scheme, Vishesh Krishi and gram Udyog Yojna, Market Access Initiatives (MAI) and Market Development Assistance (MDA)

Infrastructural development along DMIC

934. SHRI NATUJI HALAJI THAKOR : Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government has taken any decision to develop road linkages for Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC) along the proposed Dedicated Freight Corridor (DFC) of the Railways;

(b) if si, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government of Gujarat has also submitted a proposal for development of various infrastructure linkages for overall development of DMIC; and

(d) if so, the present status of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL POLICY AND PROMOTION, MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR): (a) and (b) The Government of India accorded *'in-principle'* approval to the Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor (DMIC) project outline in August, 2007 which envisages *inter-alia* Project development Work for implementation through Public Private Partnership of world class infrastructure in the region including road transport connectivity. A Central Special Purpose Vehicle named DMIC Development Corporation (DMICDC) has been incorporated in January, 2008 and the Corporation has appointed an International Consultant for preparation of Detailed Perspective Plan for overall DMIC Region with per-feasibility studies which includes road linkages to be developed in the region.

(c) Yes, Sir. M/s Gujarat Infrastructure Development Board (GIDB), a Government of Gujarat entity has forwarded a proposal for augmentation of roads in Gujarat in the Delhi Mumbai Industrial Corridor. DMICDC has also entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with GIDB in July 2008 to facilitate development of select early bird projects.

(d) DMICDC has since then selected an International Consultant for preparation of Development Plan for the identified Investment Region in the State of Gujarat.